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Hon. Henry Pitman United States Magistrate Judge United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Room 750 New York, New York 10007

THE SCHENULE PROPOSED HERKIN IS

SO ORDERED

Re: Robert Henderson v. Astrue

07 Civ, 10564 (HBP)

MENRY PITMAN

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Dear Judge Pitman:

8-15-01

This Office represents the Commissioner of Social Security, the defendant in this action. We write respectfully to advise the Court of the status of this matter and to request an extension of the briefing schedule.

Under the Court's current schedule, defendant's crossmotion is due by July 30, 2008, plaintiff's reply, if any was due by August 15, 2008, and defendant's reply, if any, was due by August 29, 2008. As we advised the Court earlier, this Office had asked the agency to reconsider its position in this litigation. After further review of the matter, the agency now wishes to seek a voluntary remand of this case. To that end, we wrote to plaintiff on July 25, 2008, and offered him a remand of this case to conduct further proceedings, and enclosed a proposed stipulation to that effect. Plaintiff, who is proceeding pro se, has not yet advised this Office whether he will accept the Government's offer of remand. To allow time for plaintiff to consider the Commissioner's offer, we respectfully request the Court adopt the following proposed briefing schedule:

The Government will cross-move for a remand by August 29, 2008;

Plaintiff's response, if any, is due by September 15, 2008;

The Government's reply, if any, is due by September 26,

2008.

One previous request for an adjournment of the briefing schedule was granted in this case. We are not able to contact the plaintiff <u>pro se</u>, who recently advised this Office that he had been transferred to a new correctional facility and anticipated a delay in receiving mail.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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